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- Martin J. Ramirez, Secretary General of the Regional Committee of the Communist Party of Venezuela, stated that there were actually no differences existing between the Soviet Government and/or the Cominform and Marshal Tito. He indicated that the information which has appeared in the press indicating difficulties between these entities has been deliberately planned by Yoscow to mislead the United States Government. Moscow wishes to have it appear that Tito could be won by the Western allies in order to allow the Soviet Union and the satellites to gain time in consolidating the gains of the Communist Parties in these countries.
- 2. Ramirez added that it was hope that the situation might induce the United States to give aid to Yugoslavia in the expectation that Yugoslavia would be won to the Western bloc of nations. Ramirez cited the fact that the United States had recently released gold to the Yugoslav Government worth several millions of dollars which had been frozen by the United States since the war.

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